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SUBJECT: THE A. EPSTEIN COMPANY-ACTIVITIES IN POLAND

1. MR. RAYMOND EPSTEIN, PRESIDENT OF THE A. EPSTEIN CO., HAS INFORMED US THAT ON JULY 28, HE SIGNED THE LAST PORTION OF THE PROTOCOAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF EPSTEIN'S THIRD AND LAST MEAT PROCESSING PLANT HIS FIRM HAD CONSTRUCTED IN POLAND. EPSTEIN SAID THAT HIS FIRM HAS RECEIVED ALL FEES OWED BY THE POLES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR CONTRACT.

2. ALTHOUGH THE EPSTEIN CO. TERMINATED ITS CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND THE FIRM'S OFFICE IS NOT LONGER REQUIRED, A SKELETON CREW WILL REMAIN IN POLAND FOR AN ADDITIONAL 4 TO 5 MONTHS FOR MAINTENANCE AND ANY MINOR OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS WHICH MAY ARISE, ACCORDING TO EPSTEIN.

3. EPSTEIN SAID THAT HIS FIRM IS COMPETING AGAINST A BRITISH, FRENCH, AND ANOTHER U.S. FIRM (TURNER CONSTRUCTION CO.) IN BIDDING ON A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE NEW 42-STORY LOT TERMINAL/HOTEL BUILDING PLANNED TO BE ERECTED IN THE CENTER OF WARSAW.

4. EPSTEIN ALSO SAID THAT HE HAD OFFERED TO COOPERATE WITH THE POLES SO THAT POLAND COULD SUPPLY THE LABOR FOR SEVERAL OF EPSTEIN'S CONSTRUCTION JOBS IN THIRD COUNTRIES.

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